

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: IMPROVED METHOD OF TREATING TOBACCO  
TO REDUCE NITROSAMINE CONTENT AND  
PRODUCTS PRODUCED THEREBY



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The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

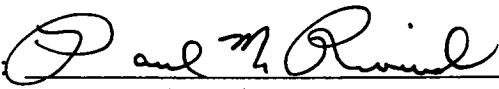
Pursuant to his duty of good faith and candor set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, 1.98 *et seq.*, Applicant submits herewith copies of the documents cited on the attached form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the documents in connection with the examination of the subject application.

The undersigned certifies that no item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, no item of information contained in this statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is believed that no fee is due for this submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(b)(3) and (c)(1). However, the Commissioner is authorized to debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for any fee required.

Respectfully submitted,  
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